



CHANNEL ISLANDS NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY



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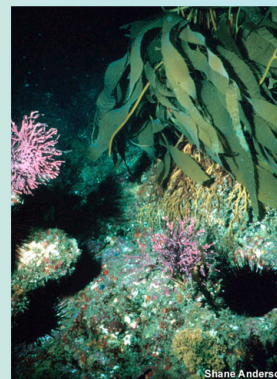
Kelp forests
Rocky intertidal
Sandy beaches
Seagrass meadows
Pelagic, open ocean
Deep rocky reefs



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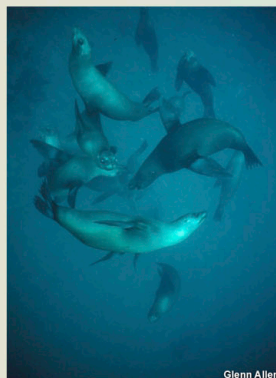
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Key Species

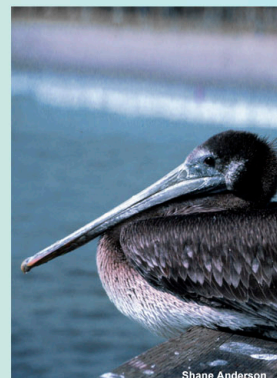
California Sea Lion
Elephant & harbor
seals



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Blue, gray,
& humpback whales

Dolphins

Blue sharks

Brown pelicans

Western gulls &

Ashy Storm petrels

Astonishing Facts

Channel Islands is in an oceanographic transition zone, where warm and cool currents combine to benefit the productivity of the food web.

The Chumash, indigenous people who historically lived along the California Coast once harvested the marine resources of the Channel Islands for food and trade.





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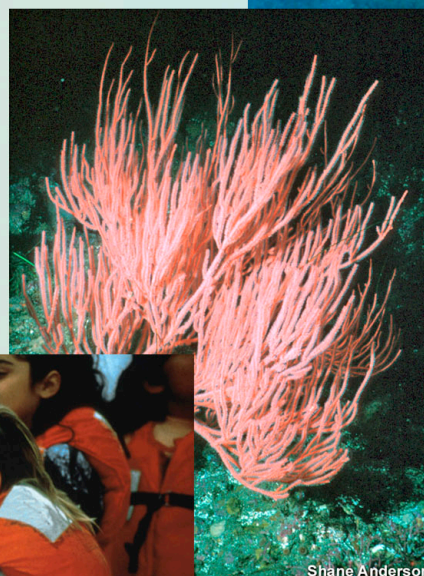


Astonishing Fact

Between the years 1853 to 1980, an inventory of over 140 shipwrecks has been documented in the Channels Islands National Marine Sanctuary and National Park.



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*Sanctuary designation
September 1980*